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Application Number	10/664,408
Filing Date	September 17, 2003
First Named Inventor	Sanders
Art Unit	1745
Examiner Name	Mercado
Attorney Docket Number	NAS-001

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- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other _____

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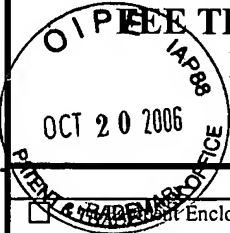
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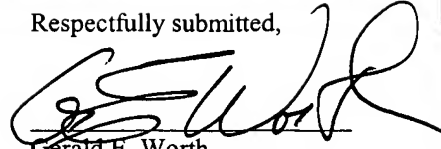
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Application Type	Filing	Search	Examination	Fee Paid
Utility	300	500	200	
Design	200	100	130	
Plant	200	300	160	
Reissue	300	500	600	
Provisional	200	0	0	
<i>Small Entity Discount</i>				
1. TOTAL				(\$ 0.00)
2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES				
		Fee	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Each claim over 20 or, for Reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent.		50	25	
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Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee Paid (\$)		
- 20 or HP= _____ X \$ 25 =				
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Indep. Claims	Extra Claims	Fee Paid (\$)		
- 3 or HP= _____ X \$ =				
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	360	180		
2. TOTAL:		(\$ 0.00)		
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